

Richmond Dispatch.
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1877.

INDICATIONS FOR TO-DAY.—For the Middle Atlantic States, warmer, clear or partly cloudy weather, southerly winds, stationary or lower pressure.

For the Gulf States, cloudy weather and rain areas, easterly winds, stationary pressure and temperature, followed in the West Gulf rising barometer and colder north-westerly winds.

For Tennessee and the Ohio Valley, warm southerly veering to colder north-west winds, clear weather, followed by increasing cloudiness and rain areas, and stationary or falling followed by rising barometer.

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY WAS clear and pleasant.
THERMOMETER YESTERDAY: 5 A. M., 53; 9 A. M., 62; noon, 84; 3 P. M., 80; 6 P. M., 78; midnight, 62.

LOCAL MATTERS.

MEETING OF THE STATE COMMITTEE.—A meeting of the State Central Conservative Committee is called to meet at Room No. 137, Exchange Hotel, on Tuesday, October 23, 1877, at 8 o'clock P. M.

MEETING OF LIQUOR-DEALERS AND WORKMEN.—A meeting of the two committees representing the Liquor-Dealers' Protective Association and the Workmen's Association was held last night at Sater's, and was quite fully attended.

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.—Mr. Curtis, from the Committee on Streets, presented a series of joint resolutions making the following appropriations from the street fund: \$125 to curb and gutter the east line of Seventh street north of Leigh; \$57 to place granite flagging at southwest corner of Main and Cherry streets; \$289 to pave granite gutter on west side of Gil-granting permission to Eliza Abram to use a show-window in front of his place of business on Broad street between Ninth and Tenth streets.

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ARCHBISHOP GIBBONS.

FAREWELL SERMON TO HIS FLOCK.
IMMENSE CONCOURSE AT ST. PETER'S CATHEDRAL—A TOUCHING DISCOURSE BY THE DEPARTING PRELATE—THE CONGREGATION DEEPLY MOVED—SPECIAL SERVICES FOR THE OCCASION—FINAL LEAVE-TAKINGS, &c.

Sunday was a day long to be remembered by the Catholic community of Richmond, and by many of our citizens of other denominations, as a day of general regret and sorrow at the translation of Right Rev. Bishop James Gibbons from this diocese to the archdiocese of Baltimore, of which he has been made the archbishop to succeed Archbishop Dayler, recently deceased.

Before 10 o'clock, the usual hour for Sunday's services, St. Peter's Cathedral was filled to its utmost capacity by a congregation which embraced Catholics from the three parishes of Richmond and many of our best non-Catholic citizens, who were attracted thither to witness the farewell words of the late Bishop.

As a special honor to the new Archbishop the celebration of a solemn high-mass was begun at the hour above named. The celebrant was Rev. Dr. O'Connell, who was recently ordained at Rome for the diocese of Richmond; Rev. Father J. Janssens, administrator of the diocese, and Rev. Father Habets acting as sub-deacon.

The Cathedral choir rendered some of its best music on the occasion, Mozart's grand twelfth mass being sung as a special mark of respect to Dr. Gibbons, that composition being particularly his favorite mass.

Immediately following the gospel the choir sang the *Te igitur* in which Archbishop Gibbons ascended the pulpit and proceeded to deliver his farewell sermon. He took his text from the epistle read in the mass of the day—chapter 5 of the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews—beginning with St. Paul's words: "I have been crucified with Christ."

"My dear brethren, I fear I shall address you to-day under many embarrassing circumstances. I had hoped to have sufficient time to think of what I should say on such a trying occasion. But while in the presence of my friends, I could not think of the living. Standing by the body of the recently-deceased and greatly venerated Archbishop of Baltimore, my attention was so much engrossed by passing events that it was entirely impossible for me to give any special thought to my address to-day. I know, however, that you will bear with me, and believe that what I say comes from the depths of the heart.

When a man holding a position of responsibility and trust is about to surrender his office, it is proper that he should reflect on the duties of his stewardship. Called as I am, without any concurrence or action on my part, by the highest ecclesiastical authority from this field of labor to another of still greater responsibility, I deem it my duty to give you a brief summary of the present condition of this diocese.

Here the Archbishop gave a relative statement of the present condition of the diocese as compared with its condition at the time of his installation—five years ago almost to the day, he having taken possession of Baltimore on the 10th of October, 1872. In the course of his explanation he took occasion to show that not only was the diocese free from debt, but also, among other things, he showed the following healthy condition of affairs as to the rapid progress of the diocese in the religious and moral life of the people.

He also stated that the ecclesiastical property of the diocese had augmented about \$150,000, of which sum fully \$100,000 is credited to Richmond. The only indebtedness of the diocese is a debt of \$100,000, which is the amount still due on the new institution on Fourth street occupied by the Sisters of Charity. It will, therefore, be readily seen that his successor will not have many troubles to contend with.

From the day of my arrival among you and my installation in this Cathedral until the moment I resigned my trust I can conscientiously say that I have devoted myself to the interests of this diocese, and have endeavored to do so with the same vigor and strength and ability enabled me to do so. During that period my mind and heart and will have been concentrated on your spiritual advancement. Whenever I celebrated mass at the altar not a day has passed in which I have not prayed for you, and I have never ceased to pray for you, and I have never ceased to pray for you, and I have never ceased to pray for you.

Next to God you are indebted to my venerable and illustrious predecessor, who left the diocese in a solvent and healthy condition. He was a man of eminent prudence and discretion, and of caution verging on timidity. He might have gained for himself a great name for enterprise and material progress by erecting churches and other in-

members of the church and congregation are in the school. The teachers are careful and attentive, and the scholars are good and diligent, and the school is a good prospect of reaping a glorious harvest-son.

Nicholson-Street school was reported as being in an improving condition. Rev. E. N. Sled represented Centenary school, and paid a well-deserved compliment to the efficient officers and teachers of this school. Most of the teachers were persons well, and the scholars are generally studious. The school contributes liberally to all enterprises. There are a good many indications of religious interest among the scholars.

Rev. W. E. Judkins then addressed the meeting, summarizing the reports made, which he said were enough to encourage and stimulate every lover of this good work. He congratulated the Society on the continued interest manifested by all connected with it, and predicted a glorious future for the Sunday-school cause.

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Revival in the Baptist Church in Ashland.—Rev. Dr. Hatcher has been preaching in this church during the past week to large and attentive congregations. The pastor (Rev. J. William Jones) filled the pulpit on Sunday, and the church was full of professions of conversion, and a number of others are interested. The meetings go on at night this week. Dr. Warren preaches to-night and Dr. Hatcher Thursday night.

Baptism at the Penitentiary.—Rev. J. B. Hutson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, baptized five convicts at the penitentiary on Sunday afternoon. The Sunday school there, under charge of Colonel W. P. Mumford, has been doing a good work.

Fall from a Window.—Officers Tomlinson and Tucker found young Mr. Talbott lying on the sidewalk near the corner of Thirteenth and Franklin streets on Sunday night about 12 o'clock, with two ugly wounds on his head. He was taken to the hospital, and the second-story window, a distance of about twelve feet, striking the stone cellar-capping. He was taken home.

Proceedings of the Hastings Court Yesterday.—The grand jury of the Hastings Court met yesterday and found true bills for misdemeanor against five persons for gaming, and were adjourned for the term. Dr. Baird's case has been set for to-day.

Police Court, Yesterday.—Justice John J. Crutchfield presiding.—Robert Evans (colored), charged with assaulting B. R. Randolph and Francis Coles. Case continued until to-day.

George Tucker (white), charged with assault on, and violently resisting, Policeman A. J. Bucker while in the discharge of his duty, was sent to jail for ten days.

Five Byrd-Island negro couples, charged with unlawful cohabitation, were sent on to the grand jury, and committed to jail.

Henrico County Court.—The County Court of Henrico was in session for a short time yesterday. Without transacting any business of public interest it adjourned until this morning at 11 o'clock.